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THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF A CONVERSATION AUGUST 2 BETWEEN CHRISTOPHER PHILLIPS, PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON UNITED STATES-CHINA TRADE (NCUSCT), AND LI CHUAN, VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE CHINA COUNCIL FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE (CCPIT).

1. LI CHUAN SAID THAT THE VISIT OF THE AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS DELEGATION HAS BEEN POSTPONED DUE TO THE EARTHQUAKE, AND THAT HE WAS UNABLE TO SAY WHEN IT COULD BE RESCHEDULED.

2. LI ADDED THAT "IT WOULD NOT BE CONVENIENT" FOR THE PRC TO RECEIVE THE REPRESENTATIVE OF UNION CARBIDE ON THIS DELEGATION, SINCE A SUBSIDIARY OF UNION CARBIDE HAD JOINED THE U.S./ROC ECONOMIC COUNCIL. IF UNION CARBIDE TAKES STEPS TO HAVE ITS SUBSIDIARY WITHDRAW, THE CCPIT WILL CONSIDER THIS FACT.

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3. THE VISIT OF THE NCUSCT DELEGATION TO PEKING IN OCTOBER

IS WELCOME, AND THE DELEGATION MAY VISIT THE CITIES IT IS INTERESTED IN.

4. LI ASKED FOR MORE DETAILED PRESENTATIONS ON THE PROPOSED VISITS OF THE MINING EQUIPMENT, CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT, AND PETROLEUM EQUIPMENT DELEGATIONS.

5. THE IMPORTERS' COMMITTEE DELEGATION WAS OFFERED AN OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT THE CANTON FAIR BEFORE COMING TO PEKING, BUT PHILLIPS SUGGESTED THAT THE ORIGINAL DATE OF EARLY DECEMBER BE RETAINED. THE QUESTION WILL BE DISCUSSED AGAIN AT THE OCTOBER MEETING.

6. LI SAID THE NCUSCT PROPOSAL FOR AN OFFICE IN PEKING IN RETURN FOR A NCUSCT OFFICE IN WASHINGTON HAD BEEN FORMALLY DISCUSSED BY THE CCPIT, WHICH HAD DECIDED SUCH AN OFFICE "WILL NOT BE NECESSARY" IN VIEW OF THE CLOSE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO ORGANIZATIONS AND THE EXISTENCE OF GOVERNMENT LIAISON OFFICES IN THE TWO CAPITALS.

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7. LI SAID THAT A VISIT OF THE LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE'S MR. SURREY TO DISCUSS ARBITRATION WOULD BE WELCOME.

8. PHILLIPS LEFT PEKING FOR SHANGHAI IMMEDIATELY AFTER THIS CONVERSATION, AND INTENDED TO ARRIVE IN GENEVA AUGUST 3.

9. MEMCON FOLLOWS VIA POUCH.

10. FOR HONG KONG: YOU MAY WISH TO BRIEF JOHN KAMM OF NCUSCT ON THIS MESSAGE, SINCE HE PARTICIPATED IN AN EARLIER CONVERSATION WITH LI ON SOME OF THESE SUBJECTS.
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